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Please consider these points;

- 1. POPULATION DENSITY. In rural America there are vast areas of open space and very few people. Available revenues are not adequate to fund the high tech equipment necessary to provide the radio coverage needed. Protection of the lives and property of our citizens would therefore be hampered.
- 2. MUTUAL AID. In many cases bordering counties increase their coverage areas to assist other agencies in neighboring counties. These types of services would be impossible to coordinate if systems were not allowed to overlap into other areas.
- 3. MOBILE RELAY. Quite often field operations are conducted with no office personnel available to relay information. Without the mobile relay a supervisor on the west side of the county would have no way to communicate with a worker on the east side of the county.
- 4. BAND WIDTH REDUCTIONS. Much of Uinta County's field operations are conducted with the use of pocket pagers and hand held portables. Reduction in modulation band width would seriously degrade the performance of this existing equipment making it unreliable and in some cases impossible to use. Fire, EMS, and law enforcement agencies would suffer greatly without adequate coverage using this equipment. Also highway maintenance and service crews would find their equipment impossible to use in high noise environments.

These are only a few of our primary concerns. Due to the shortness of allowed time we have not been able to fully analyze and digest all of the implications of these changes. We respectfully request an extension of the comment deadline for at least six months so as to do adequate field testing and more carefully study the new part 88 of F.C.C rules.

Respectfully Submitted,

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